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Amendments to Claims

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What is claimed is:
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      1. (currently amended) A travel assistant device comprising:
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             a hard disk drive including at least one database;
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             a digital camera;
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             a microphone:
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             a display screen:
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             at least one speaker;
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             database software by which images and sound input from said digital camera and said
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      microphone are stored in said hard disk drive as a personal log database, which can be displayed
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      on said display screen and through said speaker, where said personal log database may be
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      updated by the additional commentary and images as desired, and where said database software
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      retrieves downloaded database information which includes images, sound files and text which
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      act as a travel instructor, and where said downloaded database information can be augmented by
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      said additional commentary and images as desired;
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             a portable translator device which includes an Optical Character Recognition engine,
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      which takes input of graphic images of words from said digital camera in a language unfamiliar
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      to the user and converts them to characters in said unfamiliar language, and a dictionary module
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      which takes said characters generated by said Optical Character Recognition engine and
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      produces translated files in a language familiar to the user, and outputs said translated files to
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      said view screen and said at least one speaker; and
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             a Global Positioning System (GPS) module wherein said GPS module allows downloads
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      of interactive digital guide information, and said GPS allows tracking of the user,
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      (original) The travel assistant device of claim 1, further comprising:
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             a touch-screen display.
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      3. (original) The travel assistant device of claim 1, wherein:
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             said display screen displays slides,
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      4. (original) The travel assistant device of claim 1, wherein:
      said display screen displays MPEG movies.
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      5. (original) The travel assistant device of claim 1, wherein:
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             said at least one speaker plays sound files.
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     6. (canceled)
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     8. (canceled)
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9. (original) The travel assistant device of claim 1, wherein:

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- 2 said personal log database produces HTML files for output to web sites. 1 10. (original) The travel assistant device of claim 1, wherein: 2. said personal log database produces MPEG movies. 1 11. (canceled) 1 12, (previously presented) The travel assistant device of claim 1, further comprising; 2 a text-to-speech engine, 1 13. (original) The travel assistant device of claim 1, further comprising: 2 an MP3 player. (currently amended) A portable translator device comprising: 1 2 a hard disk drive including at least one database; 3 4 a digital camera which inputs graphic images of words in a language unfamiliar to the user; 5 an Optical Character Recognition engine which resides on said hard disk drive, which 6 takes said input graphic images of words in a language unfamiliar to the user and converts them 7 to characters in said unfamiliar language: 8 a dictionary module which is downloadable to said at least one database on said hard disk 9 drive, and which takes said characters generated by said Optical Character Recognition engine 10 and produces translated files in a language familiar to the user; 11 at least one output device which takes said translated files and outputs them to the user; 12 and 13 a Global Positioning System (GPS) module wherein said GPS allows downloads of interactive digital guide information, and said GPS allows tracking of the user; and 14 15 a personal log database, and where said downloaded interactive digital guide information 16 can be augmented by additional commentary and images as desired from said personal log 17 database. 1 15. (original) The portable translator device of claim 14, wherein: 2 said at least one output device includes a display screen. 16. (original) The portable translator device of claim 14, wherein: 1 2 said display screen displays slides. 1 17. (original) The portable translator device of claim 14, wherein: 2 said display screen displays MPEG movies.
- said output device includes at least one speaker.

 1 19. (original) The portable translator device of claim 18, wherein:
 2 said at least one speaker plays sound files.

18. (original) The portable translator device of claim 14, wherein:

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20. (original) The portable translator device of claim 19, wherein: 1 2 said output device includes a text-to-speech engine. 1 21. (original) The portable translator device of claim 14, further comprising: 2 a personal log device. 1 22, (original) The portable translator device of claim 14, further comprising: 2 a microphone, 1 23. (original) The portable translator device of claim 22, further comprising: 2 database software by which images and sound input from said digital camera and said 3 microphone are stored in said hard disk drive as a personal log database, which can be displayed 4 on said display screen and through said speaker, where said personal log database may be 5 updated by the additional commentary and images as desired. 1 24. (original) The portable translator device of claim 23, wherein: 2 said personal log device produces HTML files for output to web sites. 25. (original) The portable translator device of claim 23, wherein: 1 2 said personal log device produces MPEG movies. 1 26. (original) The portable translator device of claim 14, further comprising: 2 a travel instructor device. 1 27. (original) The portable translator device of claim 14, further comprising: 2 database software by which image and sound files from a downloadable database are 3 stored in said hard disk drive as a travel instructor database, said images and sound files being 4 displayable on said at least one output device and where said image and sound files act as a 5 travel instructor 1 28. (canceled) 1 29. (canceled) 1 30. (canceled) 31. (previously presented) The portable translator device of claim 14, further comprising: 2 an MP3 player.